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In re Application of: Schneider, et al.))

Serial No.:

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Gas Mixtures Useful As Ultrasound Contrast Media, Contrast Agents Containing The Media And Method

Art Unit:

1617

Examiner:

S. Sharareh

Commissioner of Patents Washington, DC 20231

December 17, 2002

Sir:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed June 18, 2002 ("Office Action") issued in connection with the above referenced application, U.S.S.N. 09/694,011 (hereinafter referred to as "the '011 application").

A response to the Office Action was originally due September 18, 2002. Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time in which to submit a response or an amendment in response to the Office Action. The fee for a three-month extension of time is NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY DOLLARS (\$920.00) and a check in that amount is enclosed. Therefore, the deadline for responding to the Office Action is now December 18, 2002. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon.

□ Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached.

F es are attached as calculated below: Total effective claims after amendment minus highest number previously paid for \$ 20 (at least 20) =\$ 18.00 0.00 Independent claims after amendment minus highest number previously paid for 0.00 (at least 3) =\$ 84.00 If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$280.00 (ignore improper) \$ 0.00 Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s) (\$110.00/1 month; \$400.00/2 months; \$920.00/3 months) \$ 920.00 Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$ 110.00 \$ 0.00 First/second submission after Final Rejection pursuant to 37 CFR 1.129(a) (\$740.00) \$ 0.00 Please enter the previously unentered , filed Submission attached Subtotal \$ 920.00 If "small entity," then enter half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract -\$ 0.00 Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ Statement filed herewith Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee (\$180.00) \$ 0.00 Assignment Recording Fee (\$40.00) \$ 0.00 Other: 0.00 **TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED \$** 920.00

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

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